



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Arthur J. Yang et al.
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2005 for the above-identified application, amendments and/or remarks submitted herewith include:

- Amendments to the Claims with a complete claim listing; and
- Remarks and arguments.